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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Docket No: 2020 - - A

Dear Ms. Boyd:

As a result of Covid-19, on March 13, 2020, Governor McMaster issued Executive Order No. 2020-08 declaring a State of Emergency in South Carolina. Currently, South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") Regulations require that many regulated utilities file Annual Reports with the Commission on or before March 31<sup>st</sup> or April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.<sup>1</sup> Due to the extenuating circumstances, and the order given by the highest level in this State, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff respectfully requests that the Commission utilize its authority pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-803 to waive the applicable regulations and grant utilities an additional 30 days to file their Annual Reports. Accordingly, the date on which the Annual Reports would be due to the Commission would become April 30<sup>th</sup> or May 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

cc:

All Parties of Record (via e-mail) David Butler, Esquire (via e-mail)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See generally S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-18, 103-231, 103-312, 103-412, 103-512.1, 103-612, and 103-712.